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Quote the Raven, consisting of Kirsten Rodden-Clarke and Jordan Coaker, performed at The Music Room Haliburton on Saturday, July 5. The haunting folk duo from Newfoundland played several songs including a couple from their newest album *Map the Dark*. /ADAM FRISK staff

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Smell these!

MY LANDLADY'S tea roses. Scarborough-proud. And I didn't even share all her other perennial colours!

I'm very fond of city gardens. Exploring them on foot is my preference over driving by. My shoes don't get me all that far, yet an hour or two on flat urban sidewalks, especially solo, inevitably provide fresh new thoughts and vistas, even if I prefer the quieter personality of the north. Bigger distances in this vast land are for planes, trains and automobiles. And buses, if Haliburton still offered its precious daily run to Toronto. That factored hugely in my decision to move north. I could travel up and down at ease, keep my longtime doctor and dentist, visit family and friends, and use the handy city transit system to get anywhere else inside and beyond the Big Smoke.

DEB REED
Wind in the Attic

Granted, one could instantly find fault with Toronto's troubled infrastructure. Its traffic gridlocks, constant construction - even the crisscross intensity of e-bikes - keeps downtown an overstimulated monster. Any wide-eyed distractible senior like me who's always disliked driving is going to fear these monsters, and start avoiding them. How to fix this is thankfully not my problem. But I appreciate any promising improvements. My imagination can magically dream up a storybook utopia for this burgeoning metropolis. As American-Canadian journalist Jane Jacobs once proposed, Toronto could use a lot more connection through green and meaningful walking. In fact, my own daughter recently helped lead a 'Jane's Walk' through the city's Kensington neighbourhood, one of many unique communities which comprise the peaceable fabric of Toronto's multicultural mosaic.

But I can't get to Canada's east coast on Skecher-power! It's my favourite holiday direction, and feels as much like home as do Haliburton and Toronto. Fortunately, I get to choose transportation options, and also anticipate these with adventure and gratitude. Once landed there, I also walk minor distances. I aim to hear, feel and sniff everything I love about the Maritimes. My eyes don't dart like fireflies, sussing out dangers and next steps. They seek only two comforting solitudes: sea and sky. There I settle even further, with my lifelong predilection for harmony, into every other beautiful fundamental of solo walking.

Friend and local author Brenda Peddigrew always finds authentic words to express her experiences. Recent writing describes her respect for simplicity: '… in the mornings … I claim a solitary walk up Big Hawk Lake … it is deeply silent - almost no one is up … I feel myself expand in the silence, breathe more deeply, notice more of what surrounds me'.*

Such is the zen in her and in most of us which wants to connect personally with nature. There's always more to see there, especially in fragrant slow motion, than in a frenzy of people. Nature made us bipedal (Latin: two feet), upright, hands freed, vision forward, stereo ears for surround-sound.

Barefoot on an Atlantic beach. Sun, moon, sandpipers. Worth the distance to an old 'sole'. I'll also take some time there to smell the (wild) roses.

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Can you be too young for politics?

JESSICA SLADE
Plain Talk Politics

RECENTLY, I attended a talk by journalist Steve Paikin, someone who has spent decades covering Canadian politics. I was one of the youngest people in the room and had the chance to ask him a question: "You've covered Canadian politics for decades – what changes have you seen in how young people engage with democracy, and what gives you hope (or concern) about the next generation of voters and leaders? And what can we do about it?"

His answer stuck with me. He said it's not just on young people to "show up" – it's on all of us to bring them along on the journey. To make space, invite questions, and help them see where they fit. That responsibility belongs to each of us.

A lot of people think civic engagement starts when you turn 18 and get to vote. But the truth is, our political lives begin much earlier – and whether we realize it or not, young people are already shaping our communities.

My daughters are too young to vote, but that doesn't stop my three-year-old from asking hard questions. She notices who's missing from the debate stage, who speaks up in meetings, and who makes the decisions that affect our daily lives. She's reminded me, more than once, that democracy isn't something we grow into – it's something we grow up around.

That's why I take them with me when I vote. Even if they don't fully understand the ballot or the candidates, they see that showing up matters. That being part of a community means participating in it.

Young people are watching us. And they're forming their civic identities long before they're eligible to cast a ballot.

Think about it: kids learn about fairness and rules at recess. They vote on class mascots. Teenagers organize climate marches and fundraisers. Some join student councils or write letters to their local representatives. That's civic engagement. And it's powerful.

Earlier this month, I attended the Rural Forum for Healthy Democracy in Almonte, where I learned about a project called CIVIX and their Student Vote program. In this initiative, elementary and high school students run parallel elections alongside the real ones, learning how the process works by actually participating. What really stuck with me was hearing that many parents said their kids' excitement and understanding of the process inspired them to vote for the first time ever. It's a reminder that when we invest in young people's civic learning, the ripple effects can be immediate – and powerful.

In fact, studies show that the earlier people engage with democracy, the more likely they are to stay involved for life. That means creating space for young voices now helps build stronger communities in the long run.

But we don't always make it easy. Politics can feel like a world of suits, jargon, and late-night meetings. It's easy to forget that the next generation doesn't just inherit the decisions we make – they inherit the systems we build.

So what can we do?

We can start by inviting young people into civic life in ways that are meaningful, not just symbolic. That might mean involving youth in community planning processes, supporting youth councils, or just asking for their input before decisions are made.

We can model good civic habits – voting, asking questions, showing up. We can explain how things work, even when they seem complicated. We can make sure that civic education in schools isn't just a one-time unit, but an ongoing conversation.

And to the adults reading this – especially those who have been voting for years or even decades or holding leadership roles in our community – you have a special role to play. You can invite young people into the conversation, share your experiences, and help them see where they belong. You can answer their questions patiently, show them how to attend a council meeting, or even encourage them to run for student council or volunteer locally.

Our democracy needs your mentorship just as much as it needs your vote. By bringing the next generation along, you're not just preserving our democratic traditions – you're strengthening them.

And we can remind young people that you don't have to be old – or elected – to make change.

Some of the most inspiring examples of leadership I've seen have come from young people speaking out about issues they care about: housing, the environment, racism, equity. They might not have a seat at the council table (yet), but they know what's at stake.

That matters. Because when youth feel like their voices don't count, they tune out. And when they tune out, our democracy loses something vital: its future.

It's never too early to start thinking about how you want to shape your community. Whether you're 8 or 80, you have something to offer.

So next time a young person asks you a question about how things work – or why things are the way they are – don't brush it off. That moment might be their entry point into civic life. And they're counting on us to make sure the door is open.

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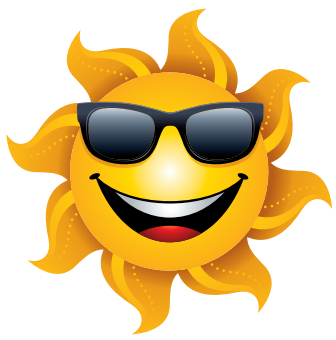

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Blood brothers

STEVE GALEA
Beyond 35

THIS YEAR has been a bad year for bugs – which actually means that it has been a good year for bugs and a bad year for people.

It has been so bad that friends of mine have actually started phoning me and reporting body counts.

As in, "I killed 65 deer flies today. I also wounded 18, and took three prisoners."

When you get a message like this, it is an indication that the caller clearly had too much blood drained out of their brain.

Needless to say, this is silly. There's no point counting the wounded.

In a year like this one, the best thing to do is develop strategies to minimize the number of bites you get.

Unfortunately, not all of us can pack up and move to Antarctica.

Having said that, there are many other ways to minimize your blood loss.

The best and most entertaining of these is to travel in the woods with that one buddy who just loves being shirtless. There's one in every friend group.

If you don't have a friend like this, I strongly recommend that you get one. Heck, ideally, you'd have two. The bugs love them and its always good to have a spare.

Should none of your friends fit this description, however, don't despair. With a little improvisation and a few insincere compliments, you can create one.

I find that the sentence, "Hey, have you been working out?" is a good start. Followed by, "No? Are you sure?"

If that doesn't work, I will immediately draw them closer and let them in on a "scientific paper" that I "read" that says the worst colour for attracting biting insect is the one they happen to be wearing. Then I will mention that the "study" also found that bare skin is repulsive to most biting insects.

I know this is not the kind of things friends do to friends, but you'd be amazed how the goal posts on that change when you are being swarmed by hordes of biting bugs. I know several people who would give up their own mother.

Another proven strategy is propping one of those fake dragonfly attachments to your ball cap. I imagine these do wonders keeping the bugs (and other people) away but are not so great when it comes to keeping fly catchers at bay.

You might also consider using good old fashioned insect repellents. And if you can't find any of them on the store shelf, go to the drug store and ask what cologne the average teenage boy is wearing. I'm pretty sure that repels everything.

Another trick is to actually dress as a dragonfly, although admittedly this is a bit on the extreme side. And, again, the fly catchers…

Of course, all of these things will work to some degree, but the bottom line is that we live in a country that has prolific biting insect populations.

That means you can repel all of the bugs some of the time, and some of the bugs all of the time, and some of the bugs some of the time. But you can't repel all of the bugs all of the time.

The truth is you just have to accept that during bug season you are an all you can eat buffet.

But that shouldn't stop you from going outside. By the way, have you been working out?

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Festival set to take over Head Lake Park

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The Haliburton Art and Craft Festival is set to take over Head Lake Park at the end of month, where dozens of artists and artisans from throughout Ontario gather for the annual three-day event.

The highly-celebrated, open-air art festival features 100 juried artists and artisans from across the region and other parts of Ontario and Quebec who specialize in ceramics, glass, woodworking, fashion, jewellery, visual arts and more.

Presented by Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre, the festival focuses on original art and craft, providing a curated experience that puts a spotlight on uniqueness and value of handmade creations.

"I've been so interested to watch some of the artists, some of the returning artists grow over the years," Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre curator Laurie Jones said in a July 2 telephone interview. "This year we are featuring one of the festival artists in an exhibition inside the gallery as well.

"Garrett Gilbart, who is also involved in the Haliburton sculpture exhibition, is showcasing his Arts and Labour project, so that's pretty fun."

Nestled in the heart of the village, the festival takes place in a lakeside setting, with a beach, children's play area, a dog park, a library and art gallery that occupies a former train station, all within the grounds. The festival plays a significant role in the Haliburton community and is a pivotal platform for local artists and artisans to showcase and sell their work directly to the public.

The historic festival, which dates back to the 1960s, is also a boon for the local economy. With thousands of cottages, locals and road-trippers descending on the village for three days, the event contributes to the local tourism economy.

"Watching the careers develop over the years has been a great pleasure for me," Jones said. "I'm always happy to support all of these artists and without all of them then this wouldn't happen indefinitely."

Jones explained the artists begin to arrive in Haliburton on Thursday and begin the process of setting up shop in the park into the evening and early Friday morning.

"Let's just pray for no bad weather," Jones chuckled. "Friday morning is always a busy time for the artists getting ready and making sure everything is set up for the noon opening."

The event will also feature buskers, a hands-on community arts tent, outdoor performance art among other entertainment. The event runs Friday July 25 from noon to 5 p.m. Then on Saturday July 26 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. before wrapping up on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission to the festival is $5 and is good for re-admission all weekend long.

Lines

TERESA JORDAN
Community Living Contemplations

I LIVE close to a busy highway, and I have lived there for 20 years. I have observed in the last few years that the lines get painted so much more often now than they used to. I have not talked to the Ministry of Transportation to check my hypothesis. However, I believe this is in large part to the ease in which it is now accomplished.

With GPS and fancy fast drying paint, the huge vehicle goes by my house at a pretty good speed, and leaves a trail of fresh marked bright paint. Years ago, I was following the painting truck and had to cross the fresh lines to make a left turn. It smudged and I had to see that tracked up paint for the next year knowing it was my tires that caused it. I guess that is the part that I am thinking over: we now have this great efficient system of brightening the lines and it is safer for all of us, and yet, there are often car tracks that blur the lines.

In lots of things, we have bright painted lines to follow in our careers, business, home management, and in lots of things, we have to smudge the paint. We have to go left, we have to pull over, we have to pass a tractor. These are all those unplanned situations of health, family pressures, huge change and great chance. Pretty difficult to always stay in the lines. These times of challenge will also get repainted with joys and new directions.

Living in a community that is well connected and includes everyone can easily have bright paint spots and lines, clear places of gathering and places to stay on the path. In a community, we also share our challenges with the successes and our sorrows with the joys. The lines get a little smudged and messy. Sometimes I think we know when we messed up some fresh paint and sometimes we may not even notice.

That is the reflection on painted highway lines; they are there to keep us safe and in the right place. What can we all do for each other to keep that same kind of safety in place as we all go about our somewhat messy lives that track all over the place? I guess, the thing to focus on is that the lines can be repainted over and over.

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I don't know

THREE OF the hardest words to string together in the English language. I. Don't. Know.

And why is that exactly? Does it come from a place of pride? Is it our inner child, wanting to pull out ahead in the race?

Does demonstrating a gap in our knowledge showcase a sign of vulnerability?

EMILY STONEHOUSE
County Life Editor

I don't know.

But in this age of political turmoil, artificial art, and social media, we should all be saying those three words a lot more.

And not just those three words. They can have an extension: *I don't know enough about that to have a strong opinion. Let me learn more.*

I have been appalled at how quickly people are jumping on bandwagon after bandwagon when it comes to social diplomacy. One thought circulates around their online world, and they cling on, like a tick to a deer. A hill they're willing to die on, without any concrete foundation holding the argument upright.

I'm guilty of it too. When a news item flashes across my desk or a targeted tabloid hits my feed, I jump onto it. It is what it is and there is no other way around it.

But I've started to take a step back. Instead of the cannonball into chaos, I now dip my toe in with trepidation.

So many of the stories that cross our paths are just merely the tip of the icebergs; skimming the surfaces of truth.

We need to dive deeper.

And that's hard. That's time consuming. That's difficult to grasp.

And on top of that, if we begin to swim against the grain, how do we manage the backlash? Sometimes believing the surface of the story allows us to fit in with the masses, and truthfully, that's an easier place to be.

But just because it's easier, it doesn't make it right.

We should be asking questions, pushing boundaries, taking steps back and recognizing gaps in information, wondering why the whole picture isn't in place.

And this is a job that's never done. No matter how hard we try, we will never be in a place where we have filled every gap, understood every loophole, navigated every angle.

But we should at the very least try. Because admitting that we don't know something shouldn't be a sign of weakness, it should be a sign of strength, of compassion, of dedication to the cause.

So instead of jumping on the bandwagon and pummelling others in the process of misinformation for the masses, we can take a step back and share the truth.

That piece of truth is a glimmer in a world that is absolutely mangled by mediocrity; a fast-paced chapter in human history where fiction is more believable than fact. I. Don't. Know. But I am willing to learn more. Wanting to fill my cup with the truth so that I can contribute.

Then, and only then, is the right time to form an opinion.

In this ever-evolving era, we need to dedicate more time to being vulnerable without getting caught up in the whirlwind of simply wanting to be right. We need room for error, room for learning, room for asking questions.

Will that solve all the problems? Probably not. But will it at least help?

Honestly, I don't know.

Top 10 reasons no one wants to go to the moon anymore

THERE ONCE was a time when people were interested in going to the moon. That's not really the case anymore. Here are the top 10 reasons why:

STEVE GALEA
Humour Columnist

1. We now definitively know its not made of cheese.
2. No one wants to visit a place that flies the U.S. flag these days.
3. All they do there is golf.
4. Better restaurants in Niagara Falls
5. Tang for breakfast every day. And again, no cheese.
6. *Fly me to the moon* playing on loop on the flight there.
7. Moonwalking not as trendy as once was.
8. You see one crater, you've seen them all.
9. You have to go to Florida first.
10. Lack of gravity makes eating potato chips problematic.

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Butterfly

Air, still as the wings of the yellow and black striped butterfly splayed on the side of the trail,
the faces of daisies, drooping over it, wilting in the heat like my Breath, that craves breeze,
my eyes peering down at the motionless butterfly, wondering whether it's Alive,
maybe just resting, waiting and watching for its wings to start fluttering, like tiny lungs,
but there it remains, flattened on the ground, grass grazing the edge of one of its wings,
I wonder whether I should crouch down to take a closer look,
but while I'm wondering, another yellow and black striped butterfly flits through Air,
fluttering down towards the ground, where its twin lies still,
hovering so close over the butterfly, as if it's imprinting it on its wings, to carry its memory
along with it when it flies,
the butterfly shrouding its mirror image with its wings the way elephants encircle bones,
returning to the place where one of their own died, to remember and mourn,
the butterfly lingers in the Air above the stilled wings,
and I wonder whether they set out together on their journey this morning,
to explore the flora and fauna along the trail, fluttering over the forest of ferns fringing this part of the trail,
or seeking shade beneath the canopy of a tree, the heat, wilting then stilling
the wings of the butterfly that lies on the ground, its twin left to fly solo,
a feeling of tenderness swelling inside me, as I stare at the pair of butterflies,
one, dead, the other, Alive, unable to revive its twin, I wonder what will happen to it,
whether Rain will wash it away,
or its remains will seep into the earth, or a creature will creep over and nibble on its wings,
a rivulet of breeze, trickling through the trees, leaves breathing in their branches,
the forest of ferns, sways, as the yellow and black striped butterfly flutters its way back up into Air,
without its twin that stays on the ground, breeze ruffling the edges of its wings,
as if it were still Alive, preparing to fly, my eyes watching the surviving butterfly flit through Air,
exploring the trail, solo,
wondering how long its journey will last, before it lays its wings down to rest in a nest of grass or field
of wildflowers,
or on the side of the road, these flecks of butterflies that never grow old,
exploring the world 'till the very last flutter of their wings, while breeze still blows and birds still sing,
serenading the lone butterfly on its flight toward a distant Night.

Sylvie Kalenda

Having a ball

Haliburton Grassroots Athletics youth soccer program took to the pitch on July 3 with several teams kicking off the summer season. The all-inclusive youth league champions group play, sportsmanship and all the lessons that the beautiful game can teach our youth, both on and off the pitch. /ADAM FRISK staff

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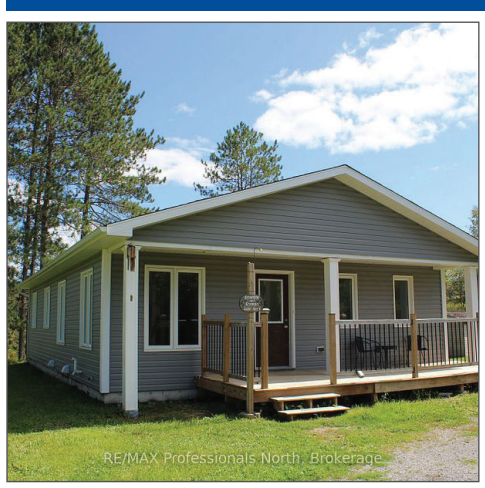

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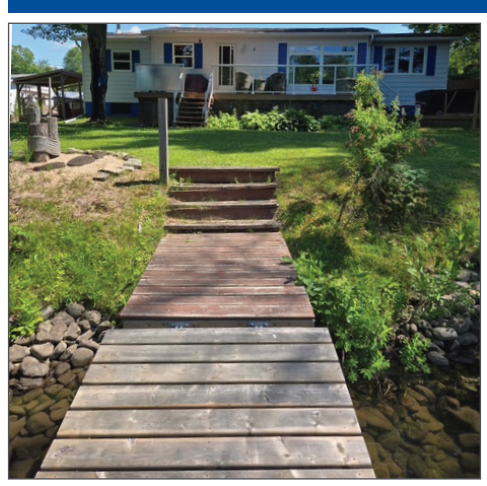

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A big birthday for Betty Douglas

EMILY STONEHOUSE
County Life Editor

It's not every day we get calls about someone turning 90.

It's often tips about fires or power outages. Injured deer or obituaries.

And of course, there's a time and place in our pages for those stories.

But a big birthday. That's truly something worth celebrating.

Especially for Betty Douglas.

Because Betty didn't call us to tell us she had turned 90. That wasn't the whole story. "I wanted to call because I want to put Haliburton on the map," she said.

That was her reason. In her very spirit and soul, Betty's heart beats for Haliburton.

Betty turned 90 on June 15. And while that warrants celebration, if you didn't know her exact age (which most of Ontario now does), you'd never guess it. On her 90th, she received signed letters from MP Jamie Schmale, MPP Laurie Scott, Prime Minister Mark Carney, the Governor General, and the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario.

And those were some of the big names. The framed photos sit alongside dozens of handwritten cards, given to her by her friends and family. All equal, and important, all valuable in her eyes.

That's how Betty sees the world; every single person has something to bring to this big, beautiful life. "I think I can learn something from everyone I meet," she said, while we sipped cool drinks together on a sweltering summer day. "And I like to learn something new every day."

We were joined for the afternoon by Tammy Milton, who started as Betty's PSW, but quickly became family, as the two bonded over inside stories, shared acquaintances, and their outlooks on life. "She is an incredibly positive person," said Tammy. "Sometimes, I struggle with depression and I have challenges with that, but she is my medicine. She can brighten up anyone's day."

Betty sits comfortably and at ease. She wears a blue sequined hat, and happily dives down her own memory lane, eager to showcase the chapters of her life that shaped her. She grew up in the outskirts of Toronto, and had one brother; a feature I shared with her, having one brother myself.

Every time she saw a shared connection, she exclaimed "Hallelujah," with true glee; like it's one step closer to really knowing her guests. She has an uncanny way of

Betty Douglas sits in front of her many cards received for her 90th birthday this past month, as well as signed and framed wishes from a series of politicians and significant figures. /EMILY STONEHOUSE staff

making everyone feel seen, feel heard, feel welcomed.

These traits came in handy when she ran Deer Lodge between the years of 1968 to 1974. When she started with the lodge, she didn't have any true experience in hotel management. "But I always said, when you see a door and you feel you can offer something, chase it, go for it." It was one of the happiest chapters of her life. The people she met, the memories she made. She recalled offering Christmas in July, with Santa Claus arriving at the docks via water plane, and parties and events that had the staff and visitors staying up into the wee hours of the morning.

But Betty wanted to bring more colour to the community, as well as a second income to Deer Lodge.

So she started Parrot's Nest; a flower shop which once stood on the corners of Highland Street and Maple Avenue in downtown Haliburton. To this day, daisies are her favourite flowers; large bouquets of the wildflowers are placed around her 90th birthday cards. She welcomed all into Parrot's Nest, and introduced the wonderful world of flowers to the community. If she had flowers leftover from a long day, she would spend her time calling around to the local churches, to offer arrangements for anyone interested. "You have to give back to the people who treat you well," she said.

Betty ended up returning to the city to attend Ryerson University, now called Toronto Metropolitan University, to earn her degree in hotel management. It didn't matter that she was a mature student, she knew she wanted to apply herself to learning more, to bettering her own trade.

During the years that followed, she worked in hotels around Canada, where she reconnected with long-time acquaintance Warren Douglas, and decided to make the move back to Haliburton. "That's truly where I was the happiest," she recalled. The two married in the Anglican Church in the heart of Haliburton, surrounded by friends and family.

While her husband passed away several years ago, Betty carries on his honour and legacy. She proudly displays photos and paintings of him and his accomplishments, and you can tell her love runs deep.

In cedar frames around her home, she points out pictures of her beloved sons, and her grandsons, who are living and working across Canada. She also lovingly pointed out her daughter-in-laws, whom it's clear she adores. Her one daughter-in-law works for CTV, and surprised Betty by sharing her birthday with viewers on the big day.

Each day, Betty gets up and eats blueberries, hemp hearts, and flaxseed. She wakes up at the same time, and goes to bed based on her own schedule. She credits aging with grace to her regimented lifestyle. "And don't watch the news," she said with a laugh. "The world is a little topsy turvy right now. We need good news stories."

And those stories should include Haliburton, says Betty. "This is the greatest place in the world," she said. "It's the people here. We're all part of the same family."

As the condensation creeps up our glasses, we sit amongst the daisies, and one hour turns into two, into three. Betty starts her stories by saying "long story," and dives down her memories; each one as clear and crisp as though it were yesterday. "I still have my memories," she said with pride.

And at the end of the day, it's all about Haliburton. About the place, the people, the summers, the stories. "There's been a lot of laughter over the years," she mused. "A lot of laughter, with a lot of people. We just have to remember to think positive. Always. Always be positive."

Wise words, from Betty Douglas, and the 90 years she's lived.

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Legion Events

Branch 441 Kinmount

Monday: Bid euchre 1 p.m., Cornhole 7 p.m. (upstairs)
Tuesday: Last Tuesday of the month-liver luncheon with one alternative 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Wednesday: Mixed darts 7:30 p.m. Canteen opens at 6 p.m.
Thursday: General meeting (3rd week) Members only 7:30 p.m.
Friday: Chair yoga 10 a.m. Bingo, doors open at 5 p.m. play at 6:45 p.m.
Saturday: Meat draw 5 p.m. Canteen opens at 3 p.m.
Sunday: Ladies Auxiliary meeting (members only) 3rd week at 2 p.m.
Special events: May 11 Mother's day breakfast $13.00/person
Friday night BBQ start May 23
Hall rentals available at reasonable prices. Call 705-488-3462 or 705-928-7105. We welcome everyone to our events and we look forward to seeing you!

Branch 129 Haliburton

Mondays: Bridge 1 p.m. Schofield Rm. Youth darts 6:30 to 8 p.m. Clubroom 10 to 18 years of age. All are welcome, no experience necessary
Tuesdays: League darts 7 p.m.
Wednesdays: Bid Euchre 1 p.m. start – Main Hall. Bingo doors open at 6 p.m. Bingo 7 p.m. FirstWed of each month with jackpot. Follow Facebook.com/Branch129 Bingo for the most up-to-date information
Thursdays: General Meeting third Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m. All members urged to attend.
Ladies Auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.
Fridays: Five meat draw, five prizes each draw, first draw 4:30 p.m., last draw 6:30 p.m. Tickets $2 per draw. Paul Sisson, MC. Friday fun darts from 4:30 p.m. and onwards. 50/50 Draw 5:40 p.m.
Whether you're planning a function for 10 or 200, call Cheryl Waller at 905-447-7741, email haliburtonlegionrentals@gmail.com or visit haliburtonlegion.com. Everyone is welcome!
Club room hours: Mon. 3 to 6 p.m., Tues. 3 to 9 p.m., Wed/Thurs. 3 to 6 p.m. Fri. 3 to 7 p.m.

Branch 636 Minden

Lunch - Monday to Friday
Monday: Rug Hookers every second week. Bid Euchre 1 to 3 p.m.
Tuesday: Food 5 p.m. Canoe FM Bingo 6 p.m.
Thursday: Cribbage 1 to 3 p.m., Darts 7 to 9 p.m. and Euchre 7 to 9 p.m.
Every other Friday: Karaoke 8 to 11 p.m.
Friday Fish & Chips, Wings. Lunch 11a.m. to 2 p.m. and Dinner 4 to 7 p.m.
Saturday All Day Breakfast 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with three Meat draws at 11 a.m.
Call ahead any day for take-out: 705-286-4541. Schedules are subject to change without notice. Check our Facebook page Minden Legion Branch 636 for more info.

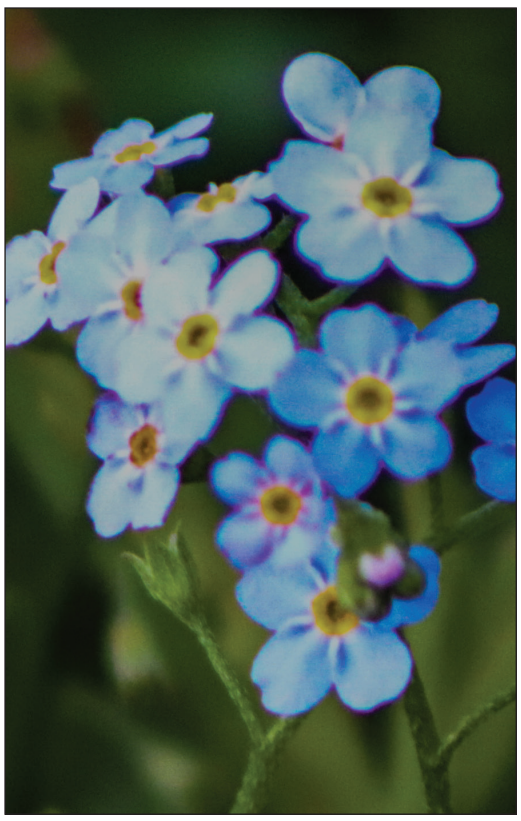
Branch 624 Wilberforce

Hours - Sunday: Special Events Only, Monday: 7 to 10 p.m., Tuesday: Closed, Wednesday: 2 to 10 p.m., Thursday: 2 to 6 p.m., Friday: 2 to 11 p.m., Saturday: 2 to 9 p.m.
Mondays July 21, 28 - Darts, $5/player, 7 p.m.
Wednesdays July 23, 30 - Darts, $4/player, 2 p.m.
July 23, 30 - Quick Supper, Menu changes weekly, $10, 5 to 6:30 p.m
July 23, 30 - Horseshoes, $5/player, 7 p.m.
Thursdays July 10 and 24 - HHHS Social Rec, 10 a.m.
Fridays July 18 - Wings and Jam Session, $15/lb, 5 to 8 p.m.
July 25 - Seniors 55+ Lunch, $17, Noon
July 25 - Fish & Chips, 5 to 8 p.m., $15 for 1 piece, $20 for 2 pieces
Saturdays July 9, 26 - Meat Draw, 3 p.m.
July 19 - Summer Dance, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Call the Legion for more info 705-448-2221

Nature in your backyard

County Life welcomes photo submissions depicting life in the Highlands. Email emily@ haliburtonpress.com. Please ensure images are high resolution - 200 dpi, 10 inches at its longest edge.

Pine imperial moth by Ethel Muli



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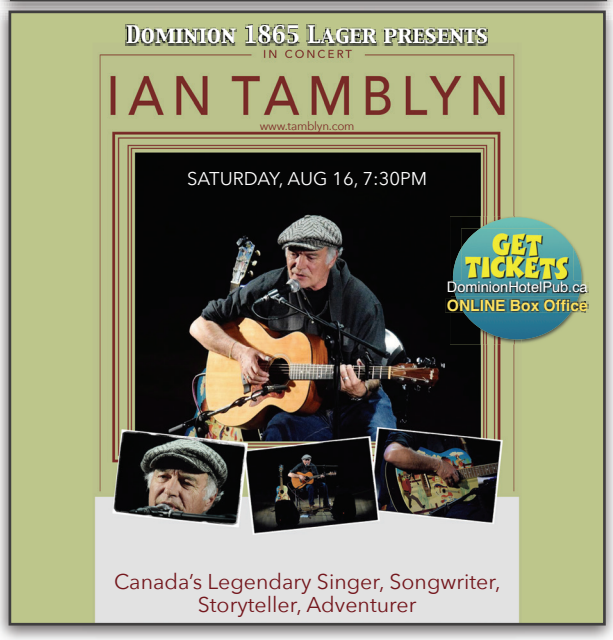

Dominion Hotel This Week

Tue Jul 15	5:00	Tiki Tuesday	Gord Kidd Trio
Sat Jul 19	6:00	Saturday Night Live	Bill Black
Sun Jul 20	4:00	Caesar Sunday Happy Hour	North Country Express
Tue Jul 22	5:00	Tiki Tuesday	Gary & Rough Ideas
Sat Jul 26	**7:30**	**Ian Reid**	**Get Tickets!**
Sun Jul 27	4:00	Caesar Sunday Happy Hour	Mixed Bag
Tue Jul 29	5:00	Tiki Tuesday	Heart & Soul
Fri Aug 1	7:30	Open Mic	Open Mic with Bo Blake Band

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Drop-in Cards & Board Games

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Hosted at Minden Legion

Wednesdays 6:30 p.m.
Hosted at Dorset Rec Centre

Fridays 10 a.m.
Hosted at Haliburton Legion

Saturdays 2:30 p.m.
Hosted at Wilberforce Legion

Haliburton County Seniors Active Living Centre (SALC)

Through this program, older adults (55+) and seniors (65+) are invited to get active, make friends, and be well!

The SALC Program is designed to provide social, cultural, learning, and recreational opportunities for seniors to stay fit, healthy and socially connected in their communities.

SALC Programming is available in Haliburton County beginning in July 2025, through collaboration between the County of Haliburton and local municipalities, the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility, and multiple partners.

For more information, visit haliburtoncounty.ca/SALC or pick up a full calendar at a participating SALC location,including a Legion or Library near you!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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5:30 pm
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Community Events

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Highlands Time Travellers Cruise Night
When: Thursday, July 17
Where: Haliburton Library Parking lot, 5:30 p.m. to dusk

Outpost Scrabble & Coffee
When: Wednesday July 16, 10:30 am
Where: Red Cross Outpost Historic House, 2314 Loop Rd, Wilberforce
Words used with a connection to the Outpost and its history win an extra 10 points. Contact: Barb Schofield, 705-448-2598, wilberforcebarb@yahoo.ca

Norwood Country Jamboree
When: July 17 to 20
Where: Peterborough, For tickets call 1-800-954-9998

Spaghetti Dinner
When: Saturday July 19, 2025 - 5pm to 7pm.
Where: The Lloyd Watson Community Centre, 2249 Loop Rd, Wilberforce.
$15.00 adults, $5.00 child (5-12), kids under 5 eat free. Drop in and have a delicious dinner before the start of the Penny Raffle. A Wilberforce Curling Club Fundraiser.

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When: Saturday July 19
Where: Wilberforce Arena, 2256 Loop Rd, Wilberforce.
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Summer Book Sale
When: Saturday, July 19 - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Where: Meeting Room, Haliburton Library
Sales by donation. All proceeds directly benefit the Haliburton County Public Library, including funding for: Children's Early Learning Computers, E-books, Book Club sets, Radon detectors, Ukuleles, Karaoke Machine.

Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers Cruise Night
When: Thursday, July 24
Kawartha Dairy, Minden 5:30 p.m. to dusk

Highlands Time Travellers Cruise Night
When: Thursday, July 31
Where: Haliburton Library Parking lot, 5:30 p.m. to dusk

Highlands Time Travellers Special Cruise Night
When: Tuesday, July 29
Where: Eagle Lake Country Market

The Dirt on Soap and Home Remedies
When: Aug. 5, 7 p.m.
Where: Minden Community Centre, 55 Parkside St., Minden.
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Youth Members Program
When: August 5, 4 to 5 p.m.
Kids aged 6 years or older who want to learn about gardening are welcome to join the Horticultural Society Youth Members Program. Email for details: minden.jr.hort.club@gmail.com

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When: Every Saturday, 3 p.m.
Where: Coboconk Legion, Hwy 48 and 35
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Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library Book Nook Hours
When: 1st, 3rd Tuesday of the month - 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Where: Minden Hills Branch, 176 Bobcaygeon Rd. Minden
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Bridge for Seniors
When: Mondays at 1 p.m.
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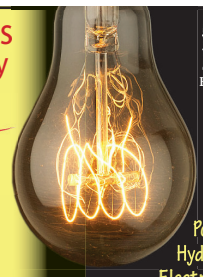

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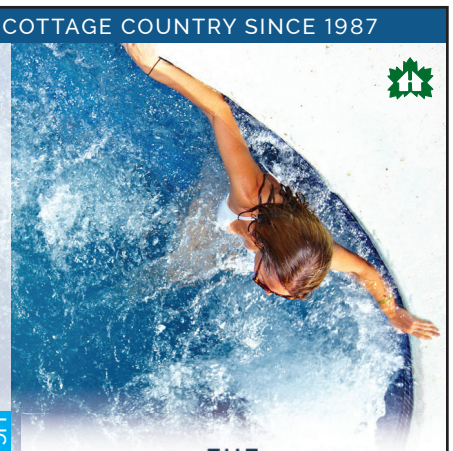

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The Minden Wild Water Preserve poses a real challenge to even the world's best kayakers. The expression on Belgium's Vincent Radoux's face says it all as he negotiates one of the gates in the middle of the course during the World Cup event Saturday. Radoux in 28th spot while Richard Fox defended his world title by finishing in first place in the K-1 Class. For more results, see page 19.

Future Olympians

The years of work in establishing the Gull River white water course as a world class facility paid off on the weekend as 85 paddlers representing 18 countries competed in the World Cup races.

Race organizers were calling this first-ever World Cup race in Minden a huge success. On all accounts the race established the Gull River course as a future Olympic site.

Jim Krueger, media representative for the race, estimated the crowds on Saturday at about 2,000. Because there is no admission charge to watch these races, no accurate records are kept. However, Krueger's estimate would have to be on the conservative side. People were standing elbow to elbow on both sides of the river from the starting line all the way to the finish.

It is easy to see why this was one of the top three spectator sports when it was introduced on an exhibition basis at the 1972 Olympics in Munich. The fans along the river were getting into the thrill of the race almost as much as the athletes themselves. As the kayaks sped past, the crowds cheered and urged the international competitors along.

Saturday's race was one of seven segments of a new World Cup circuit that only began this season. Because of the amount of organization involved in setting up such races, they have been combined with events already happening. In addition to being the third race in the World Cup circuit, Saturday's races were also one leg of the Pan-Am Continental Cup.

The athletes began arriving in the Minden area last week, and were officially welcomed during a reception at PineStone Inn on Thursday night. Present at the reception were the racers, race organizers, Victoria-Haliburton MPP John Eakins, Anson, Hindon and Minden Townships Deputy Reeve Bern Berry and a representative of the committee negotiating to bring the Olympics to Toronto in 1996.

If Toronto is chosen as an Olympic site, there is little question that Minden will host the white water events. Although kayaking is not

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Timing is wrong for outdoor education class

Although the concept was well received by education board trustees, Grade 6 students will not receive funding to participate in a special environmental studies program at Camp Wanakita next year.

The Haliburton County Board of Education met last Tuesday when trustees heard a presentation on the "Sunship Earth" program from Glen Carter, a teacher at Archie Stouffer Elementary School. Carter, along with another teacher, Lyn Winans, had hoped to have their Grade 6 students participate in the four-day program as a pilot project in the next school year. He was asking the board to provide $3,000 for this, which would cover half the costs. However, the board was not willing to meet this request.

Addressing this request board chairman Lyn Craigmyle polled each trustee for their feelings on the matter. All were in favour of the program but few were willing to support it financially. A request of this nature should be made prior to the annual budget meeting so it can be included in the budget, trustees felt.

The "Sunship Earth" program is designed to give students an understanding of how delicate the environment can be. The students would compare the earth to a space ship hurtling through space, said Carter. As passengers on this ship, they learn how to keep the craft functional.

"It's important for kids to think of themselves globally," he told the board. They have to realize that everything they do to affect the environment, affects the whole planet.

The cost per student to attend this program at the UMCA Camp Wanakita is $120. Carter said he wanted to introduce the Grade 6 classes at Archie Stouffer School to the

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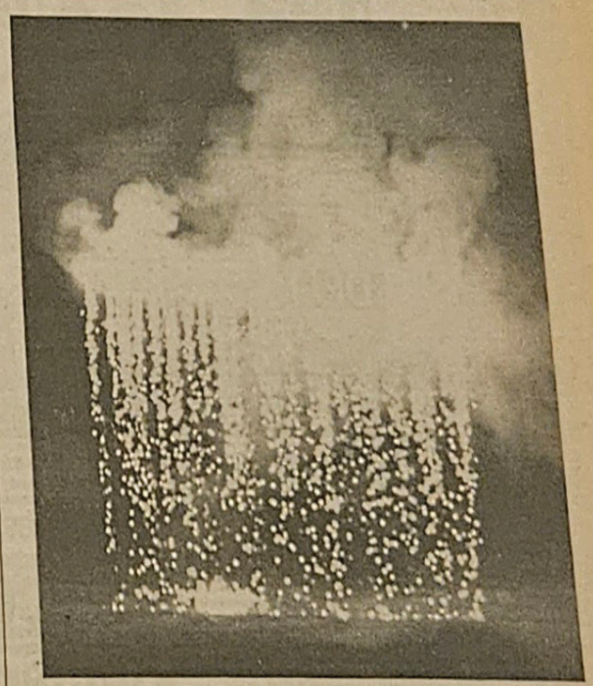

It was one of the most active Canada Day weekends in years throughout the Haliburton Highlands as various organizations and municipalities put on special events and fireworks displays. One of the more spectacular fireworks displays was put on by the municipality of Anson, Hindon and Minden and the volunteer Fire Department at the Minden fairgrounds Friday night.

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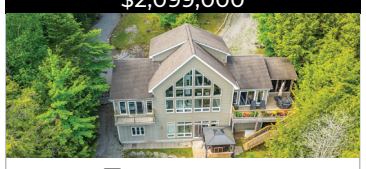

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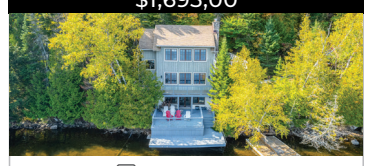

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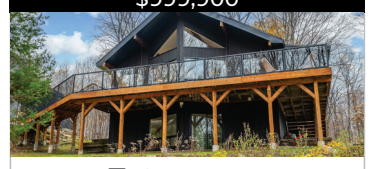

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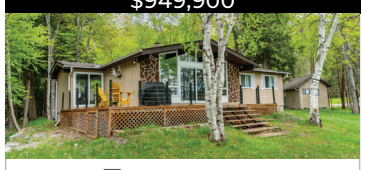

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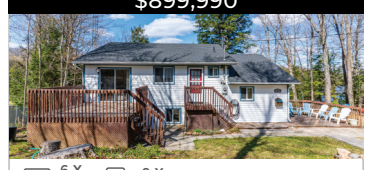

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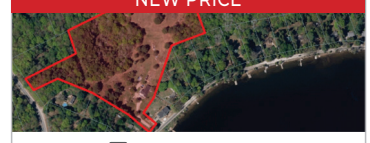

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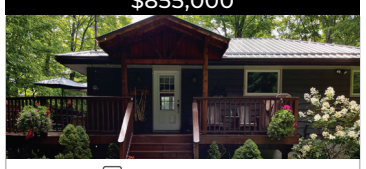

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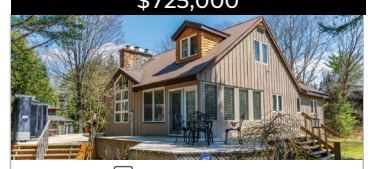

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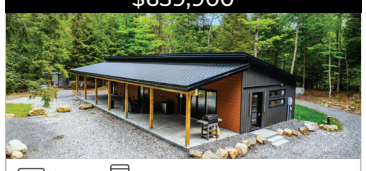

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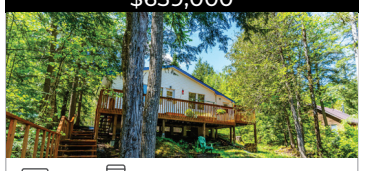

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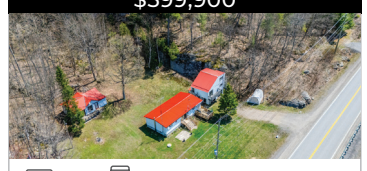

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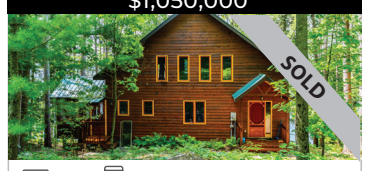

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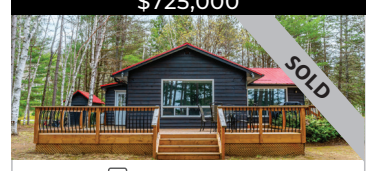

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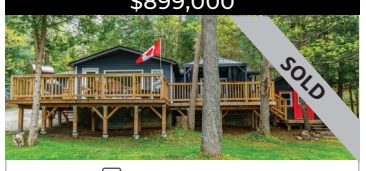

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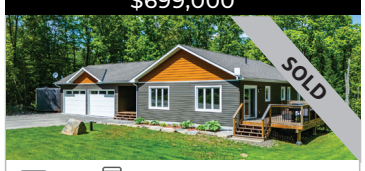

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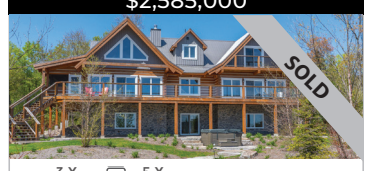

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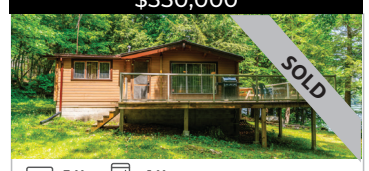

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